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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

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SUBJECT: NOON NOTES

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ROMANIAN PRESIDENT CANCELS VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA: ROMANIAN PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU HAS ABRUPTLY CANCELED HIS STATE VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA SCHEDULED TO BEGIN TODAY. NEITHER BUCHAREST NOR BELGRADE HAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THE CANCELLATION. YUGOSLAV DIPLOMAT IN BUCHAREST TOLD THE U.S. EMBASSY YESTER DAY THAT HIS GOVERNMENT IS "MYSTIFIED" BY THE ROMANIAN DE-CISION. WHICH HE SAID HE HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED BY BELGRADE

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

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TO ATTRIBUTE TO "TECHNICAL AND PROTOCOL REASONS." THE BELGRADE CORRESPONDENT FOR THE MIDDLE EAST NEWS AXENCY REPORTS
WELL-INFORMED SOURCES HAVE TOLD HIM THAT THE VISIT NOW IS
NOT LIKELY TO OCCUR SOON. THE YUGOSLAV DIPLOMAT TOLD THE
U.S. EMBASSY THAT CEAUSESCU HAD INSISTED THAT PRESIDENT
TITO GREET HIM AT THE AIRPORT, A UNIQUE COURTESY THE
YUGOSLAV LEADER HAD EXTENDED TO PRESIDENT FORD. THE
YUGOSLAVS REPORTEDLY REFUSED, DESPITE THE ROMANIAN CONTENTION THAT CEAUSESCU IS TITO'S "CLOSEST ALLY." THE
YUGOSLAV DIPLOMAT SAID THAT THE TWO SIDES ALSO COULD NOT
AGREE ON A JOINT DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES PROPOSED BY
ROMANIA AND ON TWO SUGGESTED ECONOMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENTS.
CIA BELIEVES STRAINS IN THE RELATION OF BOTH COUNTRIES WITH
MOSCOW ARE MORE LIKELY TO HAVE CAUSED THE CANCELLATION THAN
THE ALLEGED BILATERAL DIFFICULTIES.

GISCARD REVERSES POMPIDOU(S NUCLEAR TRIGGER POLICY: THE U.S. DEFENSE ATTACHE IN PARIS REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT GISH CARD HAS DECIDED THAT A PRESIDENTIAL ORDER TO COMMIT FRANCE'S MAIN BATTLE FORCE -- THE FIRST ARMY AND ASSOCIATED TACTICAL AIR FORCES -- WILL NOT CARRY WITH IT THE AUTHORITY TO USE TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS. GISCARD'S POLICY IS THAT WHEN THE FIRST ARMY IS COMMITTED IT WILL CARRY NUCLEAR WEAPONS ALONG, BUT RELEASE AUTHORITY CAN ONLY COME FROM THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF.

RECORD SOVIET DEBTS TO WEST SEEN POSSIBLE: THE SOVIET'S HARD-CURRENCY DEFICIT CONTINUES TO GROW, AND MAY REACH A RECORD \$3.5 BILLION THIS YEAR. A SIZABLE DEFICIT WILL CONTINUE WELL INTO 1976 BECAUSE OF HEAVY IMPORTS OF GRAIN AND CAPITAL GOODS. CIA STILL BELIEVES THAT MOSCOW WILL BE ABLE TO FINANCE THE DEFICIT WITHOUT APPRECIABLE DIFFICULTY. THE USSR SO FAR HAS MADE NO SERIOUS MOVES TO SLASH LOW-PRIORITY IMPORTS OR TO CUT BACK ORDERS FOR WESTERN PLANTS AND EQUIPMENT.

THAT PLANES FIRE ON LAD GUNS IN RETALIATION ALONG MEKONG:
THE GOVERNMENT IN BANGKOK ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY THAT THAT
AIRCRAFT HAD FIRED UPON LADTIAN GUN POSITIONS ALONG THE
MEKONG RIVER. BANGKOK IS CLAIMING THAT THE LAD SHORE POSITIONS HAD FIRED ON A THAT PATROL BOAT. IT WAS THE MOST
SERIOUS THAT REACTION YET TO THE DETERIORATING SITUATION
ALONG THE LAD-THAT BORDER. BANGKOK ASSERTS THAT LADTIAN
FORCES ALONG THE RIVER HAVE ON FIVE DIFFERENT OCCASIONS IN
THE PAST WEEK FIRED ON THAT PATROL BOATS. THE THAT AIR
STRIKE OCCURRED ABOUT 40 MILES SOUTH OF SAVANNAKHET. THERE
HAS BEEN NO OFFICIAL LAO REACTION TO EITHER THE THAT STATEMENT OR THE AIR ATTACK.

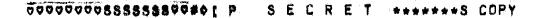
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SOVIET MINISTERS STILL DRAFTING NEXT FIVE-YEAR ECONOMIC PLAN:
THE SOVIET COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MET MONDAY FOR THE SECOND
TIME IN FOUR MONTHS TO REWORK THE NEXT FIVE-YEAR ECONOMIC
PLAN (1978-1988). DRAFTS OF THE PLAN APPARENTLY HAVE TO BE
AMENDED TO CONFORM TO NEW INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE PARTY'S
CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND GENERAL SECRETARY BREZHNEY. SOVIET
DFFICIALS HAVE TOLD U.S.DIPLOMATS THAT THE DRAFTING OF
THE FIVE-YEAR PLAN IS BEHIND SCHEDULE. THESE OFFICIALS
CITE SEVERAL PROBLEMS COMPLICATING THE PROCESS: THE UNEXPECTEDLY LARGE EXPENDITURES OF HARD CURRENCY THIS YEAR FOR
GRAIN AND OTHER IMPORTS, DISAGREEMENTS OVER INDUSTRIAL REDRGANIZATION, REGIONAL LOBBYING FOR NEW PROJECTS, AND EFFORTS TO SHIFT SOMEWHAT FROM QUANTITATIVE TO QUALITATIVE
GOALS IN PRODUCTION.

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